CITY OF IDA GROVE

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2008

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CITY OF IDA GROVE OFFICIALS

<u>NAME</u>	TITLE	TERM EXPIRES
	(Before January 2008)	
Dennis Ernst	Mayor	January 2010
Bill Carnine Paul Cates Craig Rupert Jim Weary Paul Bargar	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2008 January 2008 January 2008 January 2008 January 2010
Cindy Murray	Clerk	Indefinite
Sheryl Wonder	Treasurer	Indefinite
Laurel Boerner	Attorney	Indefinite
	(After January 2008)	
Dennis Ernst	Mayor	January 2010
Paul Bargar Craig Rupert Bill Carnine Paul Cates Robert Fineran	Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member Council Member	January 2010 January 2010 January 2012 January 2012 January 2012
Edie Ball	Clerk	Indefinite
Sheryl Wonder	Treasurer	Indefinite
Laurel Boerner	Attorney	Indefinite

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Ida Grove, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Ida Grove, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the City's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As described in Note 1, these financial statements were prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash basis financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Ida Grove, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in cash basis financial position for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 12, 2009, on our consideration of City of Ida Grove's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Budgetary comparison information on pages 18 through 19 is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

City of Ida Grove, Iowa, has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basis financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise City of Ida Grove's basic financial statements. We previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for each of the years in the five year period ended June 30, 2007 (none of which are presented herein), and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Hungelman, Putzier & Co.

February 12, 2009

CITY OF IDA GROVE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

			Program Recei			•	ents) Receipts a Basis Net Ass	
			Operating Grants,	Capital Grants,	Drin	nary Governi	nent	
			Contributions,	Contributions,		Business	iloiit	
	<u>Disbursements</u>	Charges for <u>Service</u>	,	and Restricted <u>Interest</u>	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Type Activities	<u>Total</u>	Component <u>Unit</u>
Functions/Programs: Primary government:								
Governmental activities:								
Public safety	\$ 306,781	\$ -	\$ 21,873	\$ -	\$ (284,908)	\$ -	\$ (284,908)	\$ -
Public works	420,950	28,604	265,129	<u>-</u>	(127,217)	_	(127,217)	
Health and social services	7,464	4,125	<u>.</u>	-	(3,339)	_	(3,339)	-
Culture and recreation	373,495	206,041	37,608	145,685	15,839	-	15,839	_
General government	213,503	22,839	9,258		(181,406)	-	(181,406)	-
Debt service	182,727	-	_	-	(182,727)	_	(182,727)	-
Capital projects	158,749		-	177,516	18,767		18,767	
Total governmental activities:	1,663,669	261,609	333,868	323,201	(744,991)	-	(744,991)	-
Business type activities:								
Water	191,715	246,222	-	-	_	54,507	54,507	-
Sewer	160,293	156,334	18,953	-	-	14,994	14,994	-
Garbage	148,390	153,007	-	-	-	4,617	4,617	- 4
Utility deposits	3,783	4,682	-	-	-	899	899	-
Total business type activities	504,181	560,245	18,953	- .	-	75,017	75,017	-
Total primary government	\$ 2,167,850	\$ 821,854	\$ 352,821	\$ 323,201	(744,991)	75,017	(669,974)	
Component unit: Ida Grove Community Rec Center Endowment Trust	\$ 3,930	\$ -	<u>\$</u>	\$			<u> </u>	(3,930)
General Receipts:								
Property tax levied for:								
General purposes	•				661,824	-	661,824	
Tax increment financing					42,211	-	42,211	-
Utility excise replacement tax					40,136	-	40,136	-
Special assessments					1,298	-	1,298	-
Hotel-motel tax					27,497	-	27,497	-
Unrestricted interest on investments					56,681	-	56,681	12,083
Miscellaneous					14,997		14,997	-
Total general receipts					844,644		844,644	12,083

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CITY OF IDA GROVE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND NET ASSETS - CASH BASIS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Exhibit A (Continued)

	_		Program Receij				•	nts) Receipts a Basis Net Ass	
	<u>Disbursements</u>	Charges for <u>Service</u>	Operating Grants, Contributions, and Restricted Interest	Capital Grants, Contributions, and Restricted Interest		Prim rnmental ivities	nary Governm Business Type Activities	nent <u>Total</u>	Component <u>Unit</u>
Change in cash basis net assets Cash basis net assets beginning of year Cash basis net assets end of year					8	99,653 892,178 991,831	\$ 75,017 704,559 \$ 779,576	\$ 174,670 1,596,737 \$1,771,407	\$ 8,153 246,945 \$ 255,098
Cash Basis Net Assets Restricted: Streets Tax increment purposes Debt service Other purposes Ida Grove Community Rec Center Unrestricted Total cash basis net assets					3	348,369 261,784 (29,498) 98,211 - 312,965 991,831	\$ - - - - - 779,576 \$ 779,576	\$ 348,369 261,784 (29,498) 98,211 - 1,092,541 \$1,771,407	\$ - - - 255,098 - \$ 255,098

CITY OF IDA GROVE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Exhibit B

		Special Revenue					
	•		Tax				
		Road	Increment	Debt	Capital		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Use</u>	<u>Financing</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Projects</u>	Non Major	<u>Total</u>
Receipts:		_					
Property tax	\$ 540,751	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48,083	\$ -	\$ 72,990	\$ 661,824
Tax increment financing	-	-	42,211	-	-	-	42,211
Other city tax	60,345	-	-	2,848	_	4,440	67,633
Licenses and permits	7,979	-	· -	-	-	-	7,979
Use of money and property	73,213	-	-	-	~	-	73,213
Intergovernmental	33,194	201,331	-	-	170,786	46,807	452,118
Charges for service	211,320	-	-	-	-	-	211,320
Special assessments	-	-	-		1,298	-	1,298
Miscellaneous	238,996	-			6,730		245,726
Total receipts	1,165,798	201,331	42,211	50,931	178,814	124,237	1,763,322
Disbursements:							
Operating:							
Public safety	305,951	-	-	-	_	830	306,781
Public works	220,699	167,601	_	-	-	32,650	420,950
Health and social services	7,464		-	-	_	_	7,464
Culture and recreation	367,256	-	_	-	_	6,239	373,495
General government	198,057	_	_	<u>.</u> ·	_	15,446	213,503
Debt service		· -	_	182,727	_	,	182,727
Capital projects	_	-	_	-	158,749	_	158,749
Total disbursements	1,099,427	167,601		182,727	158,749	55,165	1,663,669
Excess (deficiency) of receipts							
over disbursements	66,371	33,730	42,211	(131,796)	20,065	69,072	99,653
Other financing sources (uses):							
Operating transfers in	31,272	_	_	52,250	180,446		263,968
Operating transfers out	(6,653)	(166,288)	(52,250)	(7,505)	(2,697)	(28,575)	(263,968)
Total other financing sources (uses)	24,619	(166,288)	(52,250)	44,745	177,749	(28,575)	
Net change in cash balances	90,990	(132,558)	(10,039)	(87,051)	197,814	40,497	99,653
Cash balances beginning of year	332,468	480,927	271,823	57,553	(308,307)	57,714	892,178
Cash balances end of year	\$ 423,458	\$ 348,369	\$ 261,784	\$ (29,498)	\$ (110,493)	\$ 98,211	\$ 991,831

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CITY OF IDA GROVE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Exhibit B (Continued)

		Special	Revenue				
	<u>General</u>	Road <u>Use</u>	Tax Increment <u>Financing</u>	Debt <u>Service</u>	Capital <u>Projects</u>	Non Major	<u>Total</u>
Cash Basis Fund Balances							
Reserved for debt service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (29,498)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (29,498)
Unreserved:							
General fund	423,458	-	-	-	-	-	423,458
Special revenue funds	-	348,369	261,784	-	-	98,211	708,364
Capital project fund				_	(110,493)) <u> </u>	(110,493)
Total cash basis fund balances	\$ 423,458	\$ 348,369	\$ 261,784	\$ (29,498)	\$ (110,493)	\$ 98,211	\$ 991,831

CITY OF IDA GROVE STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES PROPRIETARY FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Exhibit C

				Non-Major	
	Water	Sewer	Garbage	Utility Deposits	<u>Total</u>
Operating Receipts:	<u>water</u>	<u>DCWCI</u>	Garbage	Doposits	<u>10tai</u>
Use of money and property	\$ 150	\$ -	\$	\$ -	\$ 150
Charges for service	245,868	156,054	153,007	-	554,929
Miscellaneous	204	280		4,682	5,166
Total operating receipts	246,222	156,334	153,007	4,682	560,245
Operating Disbursements:					
Business type activities	191,715	160,293	148,390	3,783	504,181
Excess (deficiency) of operating receipts					
over operating disbursements	54,507	(3,959)	4,617	899	56,064
Non-operating receipts					
Intergovernmental		18,953		-	18,953
Excess of receipts over disbursements	54,507	14,994	4,617	899	75,017
Excess of receipts over disoursements		14,554	4,017		
Operating transfers in	-	1,349	-	- .	1,349
Operating transfers out	(1,349)		-		(1,349)
	(1,349)	1,349	_		
Net change in cash balances	53,158	16,343	4,617	899	75,017
Cash balances beginning of year	330,950	294,934	67,277	11,398	704,559
Cash balances end of year	\$ 384,108	\$ 311,277	\$ 71,894	\$12,297	\$ 779,576
Cash Basis Fund Balances Unreserved	\$ 384,108	\$ 311,277	\$ 71,894	\$12,297	\$ 779,576

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

City of Ida Grove is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa located in Ida County. It was first incorporated in 1878 and operates under the Home Rule provisions of the Constitution of Iowa. The City operates under the Mayor-Council form of government with the Mayor and Council Members elected on a non-partisan basis. The City provides numerous services to citizens, including public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, general government, and business type activities.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, City of Ida Grove has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions, and authorities. The City has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the City are such that exclusion would cause the City's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the City to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on, the City.

These financial statements present the City of Ida Grove (the primary government) and its component unit. The component unit discussed below is included in the City's reporting entity because of the significance of its operational or financial relationship with the City.

Discretely Presented Component Unit

The Ida Grove Community Rec Center Endowment Trust was established as a non-profit trust in accordance with Section 450.4(2) of the Code of Iowa. The Trust is legally separate from the City but is so intertwined with the City that it is, in substance, the same as the City. The Trust receives donations for maintaining and improving the facilities, programs, and physical plant of the Rec Center and Community building. These donations are to be used for items which are not included in the City's budget.

Jointly Governed Organizations

The City participates in several jointly governed organizations that provide goods or services to the citizenry of the City but do not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. City officials are members of or appoint representatives to the following boards and commissions: Ida County Assessor's Conference Board, Ida County Public Safety and Communications Commission, and Ida County Landfill Commission.

Payments made to Ida County Public Safety and Communications Commission, and Ida County Landfill Commission during the year ended June 30, 2008, were \$252,979 and \$23,500, respectively.

B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statement - The Statement of Activities and Net Assets reports information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the City. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from this statement. Governmental activities, which are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for services.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> - (Continued)

B. <u>Basis of Presentation</u> - (Continued)

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets presents the City's non-fiduciary net assets. Net assets are reported in two categories:

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the preceding category. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management, which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities and Net Assets demonstrates the degree to which the direct disbursements of a given function are offset by program receipts. Direct disbursements are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program receipts include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and (2) grants, contributions, and interest on investments restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program receipts are reported instead as general receipts.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as non-major governmental funds.

The City reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the City. All general tax receipts and other receipts not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating disbursements, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid from other funds.

Special Revenue:

The Road Use Tax Fund is used to account for road construction and maintenance.

The Tax Increment Financing Fund is used to account for projects financed by tax increment financing.

The Debt Service Fund is used to account for the payment of interest and principal on the City's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects Fund is utilized to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities with the exception of those financed through Enterprise Funds.

The City reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Water Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's water system.

The Sewer Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's waste water treatment and sanitary sewer system.

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> - (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation - (Continued)

The Garbage Fund accounts for the operation and maintenance of the City's system of solid waste removal.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

City of Ida Grove maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statements of the City are prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable, and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statements do not present financial position and results of operations of the funds in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the City funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants, categorical block grants, and general receipts. Thus, when program disbursements are paid, there are both restricted and unrestricted cash basis net assets available to finance the program. It is the City's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, followed by categorical block grants, and then by general receipts.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating receipts and disbursements from non-operating items. Operating receipts and disbursements generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. All receipts and disbursements not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating receipts and disbursements.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2008, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the debt service function.

2. Cash

The City's deposits in banks at June 30, 2008, were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The City is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the City Council; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The City had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 3, as amended by Statement No. 40.

<u>Interest rate risk</u> - The City's investment policy limits the investment of operating funds (funds expected to be expended in the current budget year or within 15 months of receipt) to instruments that mature within 397 days. Funds not identified as operating funds may be invested in investments with maturities longer than 397 days but the maturities shall be consistent with the needs and use of the City.

3. Bonds Payable

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for general obligation bonds are as follows:

Year Ending	General Obl	igation Bonds
<u>June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2009	\$ 120,000	\$ 41,043
2010	130,000	36,212
2011	130,000	30,948
2012	100,000	25,683
2013	105,000	21,982
2014-2017	<u>470,000</u>	46,280
Total	\$1,055,000	\$202,148

4. Pension and Retirement Benefits

The City contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.90% of their annual covered salary and the City is required to contribute 6.05% of covered payroll. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The City's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007, and 2006, were \$25,434, \$23,457, and \$21,680 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

5. Compensated Absences

City employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation hours for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, retirement, or death. These accumulations are not recognized as disbursements by the City until used or paid. The City's approximate liability for earned vacation payable to employees at June 30, 2008, primarily relating to the General Fund, is as follows:

Type of Benefit	Amour
Vacation	\$19.98

The liability has been computed based on rates of pay as of June 30, 2008.

6. <u>Inter-fund Transfers</u>

The detail of inter-fund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2008, is as follows:

Transfer to	Transfer from	<u>Amount</u>
General	Special Revenue: Emergency fund Capital Projects	\$28,575 2,697
	. J	31,272

6. <u>Inter-fund Transfers</u> - (Continued)

Transfer to	<u>Transfer from</u>	Amount
Capital Projects	Debt Service General Road Use	\$ 7,505 6,653 <u>166,288</u> <u>180,446</u>
Sewer	Water	1,349
Debt Service	Special Revenue: Tax Increment Financing	52,250 \$265,317

Transfers generally move resources from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to disburse the resources.

7. Operating Lease

The City leases two John Deere mowers. Rental expense incurred for this lease was \$4,300 for the year ended June 30, 2008. Minimum amounts payable under this operating lease are as follows:

Year Ended June 30.	Amount
2009	\$4,300

8. Commercial Development Revenue Bonds

Commercial Development Revenue Bonds were issued July 1, 1984, for \$575,000, under the provisions of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa. The bonds and related interest are payable solely from the revenue of the properties constructed and the bond principal and interest do not constitute liabilities of the City. The balance outstanding at June 30, 2008, was \$60,000.

9. Service Agreements

The City has an agreement with Ida County Sanitation, Inc. for refuse collection and hauling of solid waste and recyclable materials. Payments under this agreement were \$146,890 for the year ended June 30, 2008.

10. Hospital Revenue Notes

The City has issued a total of \$8,860,000 of hospital revenue notes for Horn Memorial Hospital under the provisions of Chapter 419 of the Code of Iowa of which \$8,198,273 is outstanding at June 30, 2008. The bonds and related interest are payable solely from the revenue of the hospital and the bond principal and interest do not constitute liabilities of the City.

11. Construction Contracts and Commitments

The City has entered into the following contracts which were not completed as of June 30, 2008.

	Total Contract	Amount Paid As of	Remaining Commitment As of
<u>Projects</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>6-30-08</u>	<u>6-30-08</u>
Library addition Park Lane extension Engineering	\$175,111 44,893 19,100	\$ - 14,737	\$175,111 44,893 4,363

The above costs will be paid from funds on hand.

12. Risk Management

City of Ida Grove is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The City assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

13. Deficit Fund Balance

The Debt Service Fund and the Capital Projects Funds, West Access, and Park Lane Extension had deficit balances of \$29,498, \$103,048, and \$8,493, respectively at June 30, 2008. These deficit balances are a result of project costs incurred prior to availability of funds. These deficit balances will be eliminated by special assessments and transfers from other funds.

14. <u>Intergovernmental Agreement</u>

The City entered into an agreement with Ida County to provide for the disposal of solid waste.

State and federal laws and regulations require the County to place a final cover on its landfill site when it stops accepting waste and to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the site for thirty years after closure. The costs to the County for compliance with these requirements have been estimated at \$500,278 according to the County's latest audit report available which was for the year ended June 30, 2007.

The County has begun to accumulate resources to fund these costs and, at June 30, 2007, assets of \$576,795 are restricted for these purposes.

15. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to June 30, 2008, the City received \$393,000 in connection with litigation against several gas and oil companies. The City had incurred costs for cleanup of groundwater and well contamination caused by an additive in the fuels. The City's wells became unusable and it became necessary to develop new wells as a result of this contamination. Also, effective July 1, 2009, the City will begin receiving local option sales tax. This tax is to be used 20% for property tax relief and 80% for capital improvements.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

<u>CITY OF IDA GROVE</u> <u>BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS,</u>

AND CHANGES IN BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL (CASH BASIS) - ALL GOVERNMENTAL

FUNDS AND PROPRIETARY FUNDS REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	Go	vernmental Funds						Budgete	A L			Final to Total
		Actual		Funds Actual		Total		Original	Final		Variance	
Receipts:		<u>1 10tuui</u>	_	<u>Iotaur</u>		1044		Oliginai		<u>r mur</u>	<u>.</u>	<u>urrarroc</u>
Property tax	\$	661,824	\$		\$	661,824	\$	658,375	\$	658,375	\$	3,449
Tax increment financing		42,211		-		42,211		42,127		42,127		84
Other city tax		67,633		-		67,633		63,011		63,011		4,622
Licenses and permits		7,979		-		7,979		8,050		8,050		(71)
Use of money and property		73,213		150		73,363		64,900		64,900		8,463
Intergovernmental		452,118		18,953		471,071		429,214		429,214		41,857
Charges for service		211,320	4	554,929		766,249		791,975		791,975		(25,726)
Special assessments		1,298		-		1,298		470		470		828
Miscellaneous		245,726		5,166		250,892		221,188		357,048	((106, 156)
Total receipts		1,763,322		579,198	_	2,342,520		2,279,310	_	2,415,170		(72,650)
Disbursements:												
Public safety		306,781		-		306,781		324,494		340,551		33,770
Public works		420,950		_		420,950		520,837		571,437		150,487
Health and social services		7,464		-		7,464		10,100		10,100		2,636
Culture and recreation		373,495		• -		373,495		388,468		393,868		20,373
General government		213,503		-		213,503		262,053		262,053		48,550
Debt service		182,727		-		182,727		50,840		88,240		(94,487)
Capital projects		158,749		-		158,749		5,729,317		5,729,317	5	,570,568
Business type activities		-		504,181		504,181		613,964		646,689		142,508
Total disbursements		1,663,669		504,181	_	2,167,850	_	7,900,073	_	8,042,255	5	,874,405
Excess (deficiency) of receipts												
over disbursements		99,653		75,017		174,670	(:	5,620,763)		(5,627,085)	5	,801,755
Other financing sources, net		-		-		-	;	5,389,067		5,389,067	(5	,389,067)
Balances, beginning of year		892,178		704,559	-	1,596,737	_	753,565		753,565		843,172
Balances, end of year	<u>\$</u>	991,831	\$ '	779,576	\$	1,771,407	<u>\$</u>	521,869	<u>\$</u>	515,547	<u>\$ 1</u>	,255,860

See accompanying independent auditor's report.



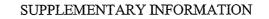
CITY OF IDA GROVE NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - BUDGETARY REPORTING JUNE 30, 2008

The budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the City Council annually adopts a budget on the cash basis following required public notice and hearing for all funds except Internal Service Funds and Fiduciary Funds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures.

Formal and legal budgetary control is based upon nine major classes of disbursements known as functions, not by fund. These nine functions are: public safety, public works, health and social services, culture and recreation, community and economic development, general government, debt service, capital projects, and business type activities. Function disbursements required to be budgeted include disbursements for the General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Projects Funds, and the Enterprise Funds. Although the budget document presents function disbursements by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated function level, not by fund. During the year, one budget amendment increased budgeted disbursements by \$142,182. The budget amendment is reflected in the final budgeted amounts.

During the year ended June 30, 2008, disbursements exceeded the amount budgeted in the debt service function.



CITY OF IDA GROVE SCHEDULE OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN CASH BALANCES NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Schedule 1

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	Employee Benefits	Emergency Fund	FEMA <u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receipts:	# * * * * * * * * * *		•	# # # # * * * * * * * * * *
Property tax	\$ 58,283	\$ 14,707	\$ -	\$ 72,990
Other city tax	4,440	-	46.007	4,440
Intergovernmental			46,807	46,807
Total receipts	62,723	14,707	46,807	124,237
Disbursements:				
Operating:				
Public safety	830	-	-	830
Public works	32,650	-	-	32,650
Culture and recreation	6,239	-	-	6,239
General government	<u> 15,446</u>			<u>15,446</u>
Total disbursements	55,165			55,165
Excess of receipts				
over disbursements	7,558	14,707	46,807	69,072
Other financing sources (uses):				
Transfers out		(28,575)		(28,575)
Net change in cash balances	7,558	(13,868)	46,807	40,497
Cash balances beginning of year	43,139	14,575		57,714
Cash balances end of year	\$ 50,697	<u>\$ 707</u>	\$ 46,807	\$ 98,211
Cash Basis Fund Balances Unreserved:				
Special Revenue	\$ 50,697	\$ 707	\$ 46,807	\$ 98,211

Schedule 2

<u>Obligation</u>	Date of <u>Issue</u>	Interest <u>Rates</u>	Amount Originally <u>Issued</u>	Balance Beginning <u>Of Year</u>	Issued During <u>Year</u>	Redeemed During <u>Year</u>	Balance End Of <u>Year</u>	Interest <u>Paid</u>	Interest Due and <u>Unpaid</u>
General obligation bonds: Hillcrest/Zoebel's 6th street improvements Airport improvement Corporate purpose	May 1, 1998 October 11, 2000 October 1, 2006	4.50% 5.00% 3.70-3.90%	\$ 400,000 290,000 1,010,000	\$ 50,000 130,000 1,010,000	\$ - - -	\$ 50,000 30,000 55,000	\$ - 100,000 955,000	\$ 2,250 6,500 38,077	\$ - -
				\$ 1,190,000	\$ -	\$ 135,000	\$ 1,055,000	\$46,827	\$ -

CITY OF IDA GROVE BOND MATURITIES JUNE 30, 2008

Schedule 3

General Obligations Bonds

	Airport In	provement			
	Iss	ued		te Purpose	
	<u>October</u>	11, 2000	Issued Oct		
Year Ending	Interest		Interest		
<u>June 30</u> ,	Rates	<u>Amount</u>	Rates	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
2009	5.00%	\$ 30,000	3.70%	\$ 90,000	\$ 120,000
2010	5.00	35,000	3.70	95,000	130,000
2011	5.00	35,000	3.70	95,000	130,000
2012		_	3.70	100,000	100,000
2013		-	3.75	105,000	105,000
2014		-	3.80	110,000	110,000
2015		-	3.80	115,000	115,000
2016		_	3.85	120,000	120,000
2017			3.90	125,000	125,000
		\$ 100,000		\$ 955,000	\$ 1,055,000

CITY OF IDA GROVE SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS BY SOURCE AND DISBURSEMENTS BY FUNCTION -ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS

Schedule 4

		2008	2008 2		<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>		<u>2004</u>		<u>2003</u>	
Receipts:												
Property tax	\$	701,960	\$	635,260	\$	603,344	\$	537,045	\$	542,175	\$	485,730
Tax increment financing		42,211		4		34,908		99,718		96,850		183,235
Other city tax		27,497		60,731		44,748		41,729		38,314		40,097
Licenses and permits		7,979		7,921		6,870		9,008		6,369		2,190
Use of money and property		73,213		77,191		63,353		47,954		34,949		42,552
Intergovernmental		452,118		472,970		291,748		237,346		232,944		344,280
Charges for service		211,320		202,664		203,660		196,288		172,165		15,733
Special assessments		1,298		542		578		2,043		7,614		4,878
Miscellaneous		245,726		128,480		132,011		210,108		473,297	1	1,019,413
Total	\$:	1,763,322	\$	1,585,763	\$	1,381,220	<u>\$</u>	1,381,239	\$:	1,604,677	\$ 2	2,138,108
Disbursements:												
Operating:												
Public safety	\$	306,781	\$	325,842	\$	280,524	\$	257,594	\$	254,600	\$	260,739
Public works		420,950		427,731		325,179		295,948		330,013		389,524
Health and social services		7,464		10,040		20,328		20,763		17,506		21,241
Culture and recreation		373,495		376,070		383,305		317,698		258,039		1,187,576
General government		213,503		218,002		188,092		180,540		173,439		161,296
Debt service		182,727		112,965		90,965		131,605		131,715		136,805
Capital projects		158,749		505,168		207,824		466,939		438,145		
Total	\$	1,663,669	\$	1,975,818	\$	1,496,217	\$	1,671,087	\$:	1,603,457	\$ 2	2,157,181

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance
and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in
Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council Ida Grove, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Ida Grove, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated February 12, 2009. Our report expressed unqualified opinions on the financial statements which were prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered City of Ida Grove's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of City of Ida Grove's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of City of Ida Grove's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies including deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the City's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of City of Ida Grove's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the City's internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by City of Ida Grove's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described above, we believe items I-A-08 and I-C-08, are material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether City of Ida Grove's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance or other matters that are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the City's operations for the year ended June 30, 2008, are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the City. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

City of Ida Grove's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the City's responses, we did not audit City of Ida Grove's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees, and citizens of City of Ida Grove and other parties to whom City of Ida Grove may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Hunglman, Putgier & Co.

February 12, 2009

Part I: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NONCOMPLIANCE:

No matters were noted.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES:

I-A-08 Segregation of Duties - One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. We noted that bank deposits, opening mail, recording receipts and disbursements, checks and payroll preparation, and bank reconciliations are all handled by either of two individuals.

<u>Recommendation</u> - We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the City should review its control procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

<u>Response</u> - Our procedures have been under review during the transition to the new accounting system. Segregation of duties will be divided between the City Clerk, Deputy Clerk, and Administrative Assistant.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

I-B-08 Fire Department and Centennial Commission Funds - The Fire Department and Centennial Commission currently maintain bank accounts which are not included in the City's financial records. These do not appear to be separate non-profit corporations, but may be departments of the City. Chapter 384.20 of the Iowa Code states in part, "A city shall keep accounts which show an accurate and detailed statement of all public funds collected, received, or expended for any city purpose, by any city officer, employee, or other person, and which show the receipt, use, and disposition of all city property. Public moneys may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation."

<u>Recommendation</u> - These funds should be included in the City's financial records and any disbursements should be budgeted.

Response - After reviewing this issue, management has uncovered organizations other than the Fire Department and the Centennial Commission Funds using the City's federal tax identification number on bank accounts. A meeting is planned between representatives of those organizations and the Mayor, City Clerk, and Auditor to explain the issues of using the City's federal identification number including the funds needing to be included in the City's financial records. For those organizations that are not city departments they will be given an option to get their own federal identification number.

SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES - (Continued)

I-C-08 Financial Reporting - We noted that while management is capable of preparing accurate financial statements that provide information sufficient for City council members to make management decisions, reporting financial data reliably in accordance with an other comprehensive basis of accounting (OCBOA) requires management to possess sufficient knowledge and expertise to select and apply accounting principles and prepare year-end financial statements, including footnote disclosures. Management presently lacks the qualifications and training to appropriately fulfill these responsibilities, which is a common situation in small entities.

<u>Recommendation</u> - Obtaining additional knowledge through reading relevant accounting literature and attending local professional education courses should help management significantly improve in the ability to prepare and take responsibility for reliable OCBOA financial statements.

Response - At the end of FY2008, the City of Ida Grove had a management change and is now under new management. The City Council is committed to providing the means for management to attend trainings and other opportunities to expand the knowledge base. In addition, the new accounting software requires training that will address preparation and interpretation of financial statements.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

II-A-08 <u>Certified Budget</u> - Disbursements during the year ended June 30, 2008, exceeded the amount budgeted in the debt service function. Chapter 384.20 of the Code of Iowa states in part that public monies may not be expended or encumbered except under an annual or continuing appropriation.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The budget should have been amended in accordance with Chapter 384.18 of the Code of Iowa before disbursements were allowed to exceed the budget.

<u>Response</u> - Prior management did an amended budget for FY2008, but did not update debt service. New management will take the necessary steps to provide correct budget amendments in the future.

- II-B-08 <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> We noted no disbursements that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- II-C-08 <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of City money for travel expenses of spouses of City officials or employees were noted.
- II-D-08 <u>Business Transactions</u> We noted no business transactions between the City and City officials or employees.
- II-E-08 Bond Coverage Surety bond coverage of City officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting - (Continued)

II-F-08 Council Minutes - No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Council minutes but were not. However, the Library board held a closed session without citing the specific exemption under Chapter 21.5 of the code of Iowa.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The specific exemption under Chapter 21.5 of the Code should be identified and documented when entering a closed session.

<u>Response</u> - The Library board and the Attorney General's office have agreed that the Library board will comply fully with the open meetings law in the future.

<u>Conclusion</u> - Response accepted.

- II-G-08 <u>Deposits and Investments</u> We noted no instances of non-compliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and 12C of the Code of Iowa.
- II-H-08 <u>Excess Balances</u> The following funds have balances at June 30, 2008, in excess of one year's expenditures:

Special Revenue - Tax Increment Financing - South - Road Use

<u>Recommendation</u> - While it appears that these funds may have an excessive balance, this can usually be justified if the City has a specific plan for future expenditures. The City should consider the necessity of maintaining these substantial balances and, where financially feasible, consider reducing the balances in an orderly manner through revenue reductions.

<u>Response</u> - Prior management did not allocate TIF funds to a special account for low-to-moderate income set aside, and new management will be addressing this to have it correctly recorded. Also, a portion of the balance in the TIF fund should have been transferred to Debt Service. This would have eliminated the deficit balance in the Debt Service fund. Excess balance in Road Use will be used with upcoming bridge projects and street repairs.

<u>Conclusion</u> - Response accepted.

II-I-08 Financial Condition - At June 30, 2008, the City had deficit balances in the Debt Service, West Access, and Park Lane Extension funds of \$29,498, \$103,048, and \$8,493, respectively.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The City should investigate alternatives to eliminate these deficits in order to return the funds to a sound financial condition.

<u>Response</u> - The Park Lane Extension project is finished and will be closed out. We are investigating Debt Service and the West Access deficits and will take appropriate action to return these funds to a positive balance.

Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting - (Continued)

II-J-08 <u>Competitive Bidding</u> - The Library board entered into a contract to construct a library addition without following the proper bidding requirement of Chapter 26.3 of the Code of Iowa.

<u>Recommendation</u> - The City should contact their legal counsel to determine the disposition of this matter.

Response - The Library board will not do that again.